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U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE CONSERVATION EFFORTS TOLD IN ANNUAL REPORT

The Nation's major efforts in fish and wildlife conservation last year are chronicled in "Conserving Our Fish and Wildlife Heritage," the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's annual report for fiscal year 1976 now on sale at the U.S. Government Printing Office.

The 221-page publication, with over 100 photographs, is more detailed and comprehensive than any of the Service's previous reports and should be of major interest to members of the conservation community, writers, and others interested in environmental matters. Chapters highlight the activities, accomplishments, and problems in each of the Service's major programs.

Particularly noteworthy is the chapter on endangered species which contains a species-by-species status report on each of the Nation's endangered and threatened plants and animals along with the actions that were taken to improve their condition.

Other topics covered include migratory bird management, mammals and non-migratory birds, animal damage control, fisheries, the impact of the Nation's accelerated energy development on wildlife, habitat preservation, and pesticide and other research.

The publication reflects the wide array of Service responsibilities and what was done in FY 1976 to meet those responsibilities.

"Conserving Our Fish and Wildlife Heritage" is for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20240. The price is \$4.

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